



NEWS RELEASE
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United States Attorney Deborah R. Gilg, the Buffalo County Sheriff's Department and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives announce the following information for the attention of the media:

Event Triggering this Release:

The Honorable Lyle E. Strom, Senior United States District Judge in Omaha, Nebraska, on July 20, 2010, sentenced Wade R. Trampe to 15 months imprisonment following his conviction for being a prohibited person in possession of a firearm. After his release from prison, Mr. Trampe will be on supervised release for a period of 3 years. Mr. Trampe was also ordered to forfeit the .22 caliber rifle and pay a \$100 special assessment.

An Ex Parte Domestic Abuse Protection Order was entered against Wade Trampe in the District Court of Buffalo County, Nebraska on July 22, 2009. A provision in the Ex Parte Domestic Abuse Protection Order stated that Federal law provides penalties for possessing, transporting, shipping, or receiving any firearm or ammunition 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(8).

On September 24, 2009, a Buffalo County Sheriff's Deputy responded to a call and found that Mr. Trampe was in possession of a Ruger .22 caliber rifle, sitting on the front seat of his pickup. The Ruger .22 caliber rifle was examined and test-fired by special agents of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives and was found to properly function as a firearm. Mr. Trampe was indicted by a federal grand jury in October, 2009, pled guilty in April, 2010, and was sentenced on July 20, 2010.

Name of Defendant: Wade R. Trampe

AKA:

Age: 44

City of Residence: Lexington, Nebraska

Crime(s) Charged and Potential Penalty: Prohibited Person in Possession of a Firearm - 10 years imprisonment; \$250,000 fine; 3 years term of supervised release, and \$100 special assessment.

Specific Location of Alleged Crime: Kearney, Nebraska

Location of Arrest: Kearney, Nebraska

Alleged Dollar Loss/Type and Quantity of Drug: N/A

Others Charged in Same Scheme: None

Relevant Dates:

Date of Alleged Crime: 09/24/2009

Federal Arrest Date: N/A

Date Complaint Issued: N/A

Indictment Returned Date: 10/21/2009

Initial Appearance Date: 01/07/2010

Plea or Trial and Date(s): 04/26/2010

Sentencing Date: 07/20/2010

Next Court Hearing Type and Date: N/A

Assigned Magistrate Judge: F.A. Gossett

Held without Bond, or Released from Custody: Held without Bond

In Continuous Custody Since: 09/24/2009

Assigned District Court Judge: Lyle E. Strom

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